

# The Northfield Press

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## Alumnae Association Sponsors Sale of Northfield Cookbook

The newest cookbook in Franklin county was received for distribution on Saturday, according to Miss Mabel Darrah, executive secretary of the Alumnae association of Northfield School for Girls. Copies of "The Northfield Cookbook," sponsored by the association, are being mailed to 150 pre-publication subscribers and placed on sale in the alumnae office, Kenard hall.

A committee of eight alumnae under the chairmanship of Mrs. Earl M. Turner of Chatham, N. J., worked for almost two years soliciting and selecting the recipes. Twenty others served as recipe testers. Miss Darrah is the editor.

A fund-raising project of the association, the book is dedicated to Miss Annie Mildred Herring, dietitian and administrative assistant, who has been associated with the school since 1931. The 350 entries include favorite recipes of Northfield alumnae, recipes for the most popular dishes served at the school, recipes from 16 foreign countries, as well as large-quantity recipes for the benefit of women preparing church suppers. The chapter headings are photographs taken at the school. An unusual feature of the book is the binding at the top which permits it to stand up in a minimum amount of space.

The "Northfield Cookbook" may be ordered through the alumnae office, East Northfield, at \$2.75 per copy, postpaid, or purchased at the alumnae office for \$2.50.

## Members and Guests Enjoy PF Meeting

There were 50 including 14 guests from the Hinsdale Congregational church attending the meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship Sunday evening at the Trinitarian Congregational church. Eddie Cregar led devotions. The group plans to go to New York City on the first weekend in April. A roller skating party will be held on Friday evening of this week at the Brattleboro Roller Skating rink for which plans were completed. Cars will leave the drug store and Aldrich's store at 7 p.m. and assistance with transportation will be appreciated.

Wallace Green of television station WRLP was a guest and told about the station and showed colored slides.

Next week at Sunday evening's meeting there will be a Bible quiz and plans will be made for the Christmas holiday dance to be held on Dec. 27.—Shirley Kelley, Secretary.

## Boy Scouts Hold Court of Honor

The Northfield Boy Scouts held a Court of Honor at the Scout house Monday evening. During the ceremony 15 candles were lighted representing the 12 Scout laws and three parts of the Scout oath. Scoutmaster Winthrop Sanderson assisted by Patrol Leader Richard Maynard, Asst. Leader Jonathan Green and Scribe James Neigh conducted the ceremony.

Awards were presented: Charles Payne and Ronald Tie, tenderfoot cards; Roger Reed, Dana Caldwell, Jerry Scott, Harry Gonyer and Whit Snow, second class; Jonathan Green, first class; and Ronald Jordan, star scout.

Dr. Ansel B. True, institutional representative, and Fred Smith spoke briefly and presented the honor cards. A group of authorized Scouts will spend an overnight at the Scout camp in Winchester this weekend, leaving the Scout house Saturday morning at 9:30.

## Kiwanis Club Hears John McMasters Discuss Agriculture

The guest speaker at Monday evening's meeting of the local Kiwanis club at Valley Vista Inn was John McMasters of Boston, representing the State Farm Bureau association. He told the Kiwanians that there are 8,290 commercial farmers in the state and that a farmer today must be a business man, an accountant, a scientist and an economist. Speaking in observance of farm and city week, on the subject, "The Voice of Agriculture with the Farm Bureau," he emphasized that the big problem of farm and city people today is the apathy of individuals to present world, national, state and local situations.

Sanford Keedy of Amherst, district attorney for Franklin and Hampshire counties, will be the speaker at the next meeting on Dec. 2.

## Associate 4H Club Agent Is Named

A new associate county 4-H club agent for Franklin county has been appointed to begin her duties Dec. 2. Miss Phyllis Jane Bowden of Dighton will succeed Miss Joyce M. Mount who has resigned the position effective Nov. 30.

Miss Bowden is a graduate of Dighton high school, attended Calvin Coolidge college in Boston and graduated from Nasson college in Maine and is doing advanced study at Bridgewater State Teachers' college. She is active in state, regional and national 4-H club agent associations and home economy groups. The appointment is made by the trustees for county aid to agriculture.

## Conn. Valley Pomona Lists Degree Dates

The Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange met Monday evening, Nov. 25, at the Bernardston Grange hall. The members of the local Grange served a roast beef supper at 7 o'clock.

An award of \$15 was presented Mrs. Mary Turner as first prize winner in the State Grange dress contest and an award of \$10 to Miss Dorothy Aiken of Greenfield as the leader of the second award youth degree team. It was voted to send the lecturer, Miss Rosanne Bernardo, of Montague to the lecturers' conference to be held at the Bancroft hotel in Worcester on Nov. 30. Special degree work was announced.

On Dec. 2 the first and second degrees at the Guiding Star Grange hall in Greenfield with Sunderland and Whately officers working the first degree and the Guiding Star men's degree team the second degree.

On Dec. 9 the third and fourth degrees at Montague Grange hall, the third degree by the ladies' degree team of Montague and the fourth by officers from Bernardston and Northfield Granges.

The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 16 in Greenfield. It will be a Christmas party and each member is asked to bring a fifty cent gift definitely marked for man or lady.

Mrs. Dorothy Hilliard of West Northfield attended the funeral services of her mother, Mrs. Mary Whitmore Hulme of Leverett, last week. The services were held in Greenfield with burial in Amherst.

## Newtons Observe 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. George Newton of Northfield Farms observed their 40th wedding anniversary recently. They have resided in Northfield for the past 21 years and Mr. Newton has been employed at the Millers Falls Paper company.

Mrs. Newton was the former Anna Jacobs and was married to George Newton of Heath on Nov. 20, 1917 at Whitingham, Vt. They have two children, Mrs. Helen Kavanaugh of Northfield and Donald Newton of Marlboro, N. Y., and four grandchildren.

They have also been foster parents to William, Glenn and Frank Stewart who have made their homes with them for 16 years.

## 4-H Club Meeting Studies Wheel

At the last meeting of the Tractor Maintenance and Repair 4-H club the boys studied front wheel assembly, took the wheel apart, removed the bearings and cleaned and reassembled the parts. The meeting was held at Whitney's on Birnam road with Marshal Lanphear as leader. New members will be welcomed at the next meeting on Dec. 5.

## Blackstones Honored At Farewell Party

A farewell party was given Rev. and Mrs. Elvin Blackstone and family Sunday evening following the service at the Advent Christian church. Gifts from the church organizations and members, neighbors and friends were presented to the family. Rev. Blackstone, a former pastor here for nine years and his wife have been assisting this past year at the Vernon Home. He has taken a pastorate at the Advent Christian church in Orlando, Fla., and the family left this week for their new home.

## 107 Donate to Bloodmobile

The Bloodmobile program on Friday here in Northfield was a very successful one. There were 107 donors and 97 pints of blood were given.

Many Northfield groups assisted to make it a success.

Mrs. Arthur Pietz, chairman, was assisted by Mrs. Ross L. Spencer. Solicitors were Mrs. Robert Barnes, Mrs. Lee Bolton, Mrs. Norman Fowler, Mrs. John Spindler, Mrs. Edgar J. Livingston, Mrs. Alfred Stompe, Mrs. Ralph Holton, Mrs. Joseph W. Reeves, Mrs. Robert Johnson and Mrs. Lee Holloway.

Medical staff members were Dr. Ansel B. True and Dr. F. Wilton Dean, assisted by registered nurses, Mrs. Glen Billings, chairman, Mrs. Harold Thayer, Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. Donald Snow, Mrs. F. Wilton Dean, Mrs. John Raymond, Mrs. Lester P. White, Mrs. Julian Barber, Mrs. Virginia Ketchum and Mrs. Ronald Walker, P.N.

Northfield Grange provided refreshments for donors. Directing the canteen were Mrs. Pearl Allen, chairman, Mrs. Lewis Shine, Mrs. Holloway, Mrs. Ralph Holton and Mrs. Pietz. Mrs. Roger Greenwood was chairman of appointments and typing. Assistants were Mrs. Dana Leavis, Mrs. E. J. Livingston, Mrs. George Carr and Mrs. Roy J. Fish.

St. Patrick's Guild members, Mrs. Richard Vielmetti, chairman, Mrs. Charles Repeta and Mrs. George Butynski, served dinner for the workers.

## All Items in PVRB Budget Questioned But No Changes Made At Meeting

### St. Patrick's Guild Christmas Bazaar Opens Saturday

St. Patrick's Guild will have its Christmas bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Alexander hall from 1 to 5 p.m. There will be many attractive things on sale, including aprons and fancywork, food, Christmas candies and cookies, Christmas centerpieces, candles, pottery Madonnas and planters, a white elephant table and used children's books, also a fish pond especially for the children. A silver tea will be served from 2 to 5 o'clock.

### Fortnightly Plans Guest Night Program

The Fortnightly will meet on Friday evening, Dec. 6, at the Northfield hotel at 8 o'clock for a special guest night program. Each member may invite a guest and all public school teachers living in Northfield are invited.

Music will be by Miss Florence Colby at the piano. The guest speaker will be Miss Eunice Harriet Avery, lecturer, world traveler and news analyst. Her home is in Longmeadow, and she is a graduate of Vassar college and has spent her life traveling and lecturing. Miss Avery has traveled in 59 nations besides the United States, in every nation in Europe from England to Turkey, in South America from Peru to Argentina, in every dominion of the British commonwealth and among the Arabs from Morocco to Damascus, and has made repeated visits to China, Japan and the Philippines.

She spent this past summer, her 35th free-lance summer study, in the Middle East crossroads of the world revisiting Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, the Sudan, Ethiopia, Cairo, Lebanon, Cyprus, Iraq, Turkey and Greece.

Miss Avery reports by word and camera and her subject for the meeting will be "Morocco and Libya in Kodachrome," the subtitle, "Oldest and Newest on the North African Coast."

### Civic Council Invites Interested To Attend

The Civic Council will meet on Wednesday evening, Dec. 4, at the town hall at 8 o'clock. Delegates from the town's various organizations and groups should attend and all who are interested may attend all these discussion meetings.

### NORTHFIELD O. E. S.

The Past Matrons association of the Northfield chapter, Order of Eastern Star, met last week at the home of Mrs. Vernal Hurlbut of Millers Falls with 12 present and with Mrs. Roy Fish of Winchester road assisting as co-hostess.

The next meeting of this group will be held Jan. 15.

## Speaker to Show Indoor Decorations at Garden Club

The Northfield Garden club will meet on Monday evening, Dec. 9, at the Alexander hall for a special Christmas program that will take the place of the regular last week of the month November and December meetings. This plan has been carried out for several years.

The speaker of the evening will be Mrs. Blake Prescott of East Longmeadow who will speak on "Indoor Decorations." These will be Christmas decorations—made

At the meeting of the Pioneer Valley regional school committee on Thursday evening further study was made of the budget for the next year. All items were studied with special attention to those questioned at the recent public hearing but no changes were made. The budget, now set at a total of \$300,862 before reimbursements, must be approved by the middle of December and the member towns assessed for their shares for 1958 by December 31.

A flag pole has been erected by members of the committee and thanks were sent to Paul Donaldson of Bernardston for his gift of the eagle on the top of the flag pole.

William Hawley of Northfield, Ellis Franklin of Bernardston and Norman Durkee of Warwick have been named as a sub-committee to make a set of regulations concerning the use of the building and its facilities by the general public of the member towns.

The next meeting of the committee will be on Dec. 5.

## Sgt. Clough Ends Five-Week Course

Sgt. Wilfred D. Clough, son of Dr. and Mrs. D. P. Clough, Pine Meadow road, recently was graduated from the demolitions, mines and booby traps course at the army's European engineer school in Murnau, Germany. During the five-week course, Sgt. Clough received training in laying and removing mines and booby traps and firing demolition charges on roads and bridges. He entered the army in August, 1956, and received basic training at Fort Hood, Tex. Clough was last stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., and arrived in Europe in March of this year. The sergeant attended Northfield high school and was employed by Whitney Milk Transfer.

## David Scott Is Home on Leave

David M. Scott, electronics technician 3-c, is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Scott of South Main street. He has been stationed in Hawaii this past year. He, with a half hour's notice, left Barber's Point, Hawaii, on Monday at 9 a.m. in a navy plane, landed for overnight at Alameda, Calif., and arrived at Patuxent River, Md., at 4:30 a.m. on Wednesday of last week.

He will return to Hawaii on Dec. 14 for another year's service there. He is working on radar equipment.

### NORTHFIELD WCTU

The Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 4, at the home of Mrs. Constantine George on Warwick avenue. A Christmas luncheon will be served by the hostess at 1 o'clock to be followed by the business meeting.

from materials Mrs. Prescott will bring, many from her own back yard and home. Mrs. Prescott is a past president of the Springfield Garden club and an artist of note. It will be guest night and members may invite friends.

At this meeting members will bring packages of non-perishable food for a Christmas basket and also children's games and mittens in sizes from 1 year to 13 years of age. The date, Dec. 9.

### *"The Bank on the Corner"*

## Social and Personal News Notes of the Northfield Area

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House guests over the Thanksgiving celebration at the home of Mrs. W. R. Moody were Dr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of New York city, Dr. Smith's sister and her husband and a nephew of his and Stanton Yeager of Medford.

Miss Polly Moor and Harry Murray were guests of the Fred Pallams, the former coming from New York City and the latter from Binghamton, N. Y.

Frequently summer residents write and say that they depend on the Northfield Press for news of their friends and the village. One such was Mrs. St. J. Harvey of Summit, N. J., writing to Mrs. Fred Pallam.

According to a professional critic the production of "The Importance of Being Earnest" by students of both the Northfield schools was "tops" and the cast was "star-studded." "There were stars not merely in acting roles but in every department from stage crew to makeup. It was one of the finest school-age presentations of this venerable comedy on English society one could hope to find." Among the many teachers and friends who contributed to this brilliant success was the owner of Bushnell's Museum at Vernon who loaned a mid-Victorian urn for scenery.

John McMasters of Boston spoke at Kiwanis Monday evening when

they were celebrating their Farm and City week. Charles Llewellyn, Charles Repeta, Stanley Powers and Fernand Caron attended the lieutenant governor's conference in Northampton Monday.

The George Pefferles have started their southward trek expecting to reach Ellinor Village, Ormond Beach, Fla., by Dec. 1st.

Many local residents are helping with the celebration of the translation of the Bible into the 1100th language by following the suggested scripture readings from Thanksgiving to Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McDonald and their four children spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Mrs. Bart Sheehan and her family. While away for five days they will also visit his sisters, Miss Ceal McDonald and Miss Margaret McDonald, who accompanied the family back to Arabia their last trip home two years ago.

Around the world in less than 80 days! Monday five yellow china-premium coupons, given out by the I.G.A. Store, arrived after a round-trip safari to Saudi Arabia and back. Mrs. Harry McDonald had accidentally enclosed them in a letter to friends.

Mrs. William P. Stanley has gone to the Cedars, Hendersonville, N. C., for the winter.

Fred Kelley was operated on Saturday morning at the New England Baptist hospital, Parker Hill, Boston. Mrs. Kelley spends much of her time in Boston to be near him.

A Christmas committee headed by Al Morlock is making plans for a gift for each boy in the service from the Trinitarian Congregational church. Others on the committee are Mrs. E. J. Livingston and Ed Powell.

There was no civic council last Wednesday evening; instead it will meet Dec. 4 at 8 p.m.

The Northfield Historical society will meet Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Miss Amy Hamilton. Annual reports and election of officers will take place. Dues are payable. Fred C. Alexander, head of the Jackson Homestead museum in Newton, Mass., will give an illustrated talk on "Historic Houses."

Mr. and Mrs. James Mirtz and Nathan Adams spent last summer at Greenacres in Dutchess County, New York. It is a New York City mission summer camp for young mothers with little children. Mr. Mirtz has been inquiring about our Virginia camp, at the upper end of Pine street in East Northfield. The reason for his inquiries is that last summer so many mothers told him of their happy child-

hood days in Virginia camp, which for many years was supported by the City mission and Northfield friends, with Miss Hazel Harper as head.

Students of the Pioneer Valley school sold \$2,100 in magazine subscriptions. Donald Jordan was high salesman with \$111.75 to his credit.

Miss Arolyn Ruth Bolton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Bolton, has made the dean's list at Springfield college. This is the first dean's list since the founding of the college.

Friday night the Girl Scout council of Franklin county met in the Turners Falls high school. The 300 Girl Scouts in the county are members and Mrs. Orville Mirtz of Mt. Hermon is president.

Northfielders were interested in two wedding anniversaries this week. It was the tenth anniversary for Elizabeth and Philip and for Charlotte and Harold Lord on the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Marden have come to stay at his parents' home on Pond road while his parents are in Florida.

There was no Garden club meeting the last Monday in November, but, instead, will be held on Dec. 9.

Mrs. Lawrence Whitaker was honored at a stork shower at the Brattleboro home of Mrs. Francis Momaney.

Mrs. Doris Fuller and four children have moved into the house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. David Burnham will visit her sister and family in Scarsdale over the Thanksgiving recess at Mt. Hermon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morrow and family will visit Mrs. Morrow's mother Mrs. Sharon, in Philadelphia next week. Mrs. Sharon spends her summers, generally, on Hermon hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Greenwood celebrated Thanksgiving with their son, Calvin, and family in Manchester, Conn.

Letters from Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Moody say that they and their daughter, Mrs. Cecil Bergh, and her family are at a summer resort on the Indian ocean for a few weeks. The Berghs live at Clanwilliam near Capetown in S. Africa.

Wednesday evening the Women's Literary society had as its speaker a Smith professor, Miss Helen Muchnick. She spoke on "Dostoevsky as a Psychologist." Miss Muchnick graduated from Vassar and did graduate work at Bryn Mawr and is an authority on this great Russian author. She told the story of his life and used his novels to illustrate his characteristics.

Charles Llewellyn was elected president of the Greenfield local of the New England Milk Producers' association.

Mrs. Gertrude Whitney is exhibiting some of her oil paintings at Dickinson library. They are of Northfield scenes.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. Hutchins and daughters, Dawn Marie and Gay Louise, of Lee visited his parents.

The American Legion auxiliary collected 746 cancelled stamps, 35 gifts and 456 magazines in its work for veterans.

The Youth Band under Eugene Gancarz played at the Thanksgiving service at the Trinitarian Congregational church Sunday. There will be a "Share Our Surplus" offering taken.

Leland Black's large circle of friends wish to contribute to a fund in his name and on Monday the gift bowls at the Bookstore, Aldrich's, I.G.A. and the Lily-Dan were collected. Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. in

### LBS to Hold Party Dec. 3

The annual Christmas party of the Ladies' Benevolent society of Northfield Farms will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 3, at 8 o'clock. (Note the change of date from the usual Wednesday to Tuesday.) It is being held at the Community No. 4 hall and everyone attending is asked to bring a fifty cent gift to exchange. There will be a small charge for the lunch.

the Trinitarian Congregational church in East Northfield.

Edgar J. (Jimmie) Livingston has been assigned to a famous division, the third infantry division, Fort Benning, Ga., which will accompany the "Marne" division to Germany next spring. Some of the major units of the "Marne" can trace its military history to the war of 1812.

Local residents are relieved to learn that they can be heard by the department of public utilities on the proposed curtailment of train service between Springfield and East Northfield without having to go to Boston for this purpose. Answering a protest from a Northfield citizen, David M. Brackman, chairman of the department, wrote that the Boston and Maine railroad seeks to curtail more than 100 trains and abandon several branch lines. This would involve a dozen hearings in as many localities. Because of the difficulty of having expert witnesses travel to this number of places, the department rescheduled its hearings so that the main witnesses will testify at a general hearing in Boston on Dec. 3. Continued hearings, to be announced Dec. 3, will be held in the areas affected where specific evidence on the individual regions may be presented. There is every reason to believe that Greenfield will be announced as the location of one of these continued hearings. The chairman of the Northfield board of selectmen and representatives of the Northfield schools and the Northfield hotel will be among those from this area who attend the general hearing in Boston on Dec. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Grove W. Deming left Nov. 25 for Florida via Williamsport, Pa., where they visited Grove W. Deming, Jr., and family over Thanksgiving.

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### Public Card Party Winners Announced

The prize winners at last week's public card party sponsored by the Ladies' Benevolent society of Northfield Farms were: in whist, Mrs. Bertha Rikert, high, and Mrs. Alice Holloway, low, and in pitch, Lee Holloway, high, and Mrs. Charlotte Black, low. Door awards went to Mrs. Ida Morse, Clarence Spaulding, Robert Shearer, Mrs. Rikert, Mrs. Electa Cole and Malcolm Parks.

The next card party will be on Dec. 18, sponsored by Community Club No. 4.

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**Pioneer Valley Regional School**

School closed Wednesday noon for the Thanksgiving weekend and will remain closed until next Monday, Dec. 2.

Tuesday we students were treated to a full delicious Thanksgiving dinner at the usual price of 25¢. Our servings were so huge and the food so tasty that some of us were ten minutes late getting to our activity period. The menu included: turkey, mashed potato stuffing, peas, gravy, cranberry sauce, sandwiches, celery, ice cream and milk.

Our student have been showing considerable interest in the past few days in the process of installing the seats in the auditorium. It has taken the workmen only three working days to complete this installation. The backs of the seats are natural finished plywood. The auditorium certainly looks beautiful.

We wish the gymnasium was finished but it is not. Workmen have been busy laying out the lines on the floor for the past several days. Seven different games or courts have been lined and this work should be completed today. After this there remains three coats of finish. It will be another week before we will be able to use it. In the meantime the boys are practicing on the Mount Hermon floor.

Monday Russell Bardwell of the sophomore class had the misfortune of twisting his ankle badly in physical education class. X-rays were taken and it was determined that he had some badly torn cartilages in the ankle. The ankle is now in a cast and Russell is making his way around the building on crutches. It is expected that this accident will keep him off the basketball team for the early part of the season.

All the seniors had their pictures taken yesterday at school by the Warren K. Vantine studio of Boston. It was very noticeable that something important was to take place because the girls were unusually well groomed and the boys wore suits, white shirts and ties. The girls were secretly expressing the wish that the boys would dress that way every day. What a difference it made in the appearance of the whole building!

Monday afternoon, Miss Eleanor Stansfield, personnel director of the Peerless Insurance company of Keene, N. H., addressed interested girls of the junior and senior classes. She explained the employment possibilities in her company and outlined the requirements for employment. A very interesting and informative question and answer period followed.

About 35 boys in our school

have expressed an interest in going deer hunting on Monday, Dec. 2. This will be possible by an excuse from home and getting school assignments and work in advance.

Plans are being made for an open house on Sunday, Dec. 8. The entire school will be open in afternoon and evening. The general public is invited. All class rooms will be open for inspection and displays of pupils' work will be on bulletin boards.

The annual get together of the school committee and school personnel of School Union #18 was held at Pioneer Valley regional school at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, 1957. A roast beef dinner was served followed by a tour of the school. Entertainment included a musical interlude by Eugene Gancarz and artists from our band followed by a talk entitled "Behind the Scenes in a T.V. Show" by Wallace Green, general manager from T.V. station WRLP, channel 32. Round and square dancing followed with music furnished by Dick and Allene Williams. About 120 attended.

**Backyard Gardener**

By Alfred W. Boicourt, Professor of Floriculture, College of Agriculture, University of Massachusetts

Last Saturday afternoon the Boicourt family went on their annual excursion for plant material to fill terrariums. You may call them bowl gardens. The word terrarium really means more because it applies to any enclosures for keeping or raising plants indoors.

Terrarium is derived from the Latin word "terra" or earth, whereas aquarium comes from "aqua" meaning water. Terrarium is principally used for growing plants that require a humid atmosphere. The container is often a glass bowl, goblet, candy jar, turtle bowl or aquarium. Both the cover and the sides must be clear glass.

A terrarium can be made out of six sheets of glass, cut to fit and the bottom and the four sides fastened together with adhesive tape and then painted with some attractive enamel or lacquer.

Gardens of this type are best constructed on a base of sphagnum moss. This moss can usually be found growing in swampy areas, or it can be purchased from a florist for a very nominal sum. The sphagnum moss should be wet thoroughly, then squeezed nearly dry and placed in the bottom of a container to a depth of from one to two inches, depending upon the size of the container. It is well to run your finger or a pencil around the outer edge of the moss, packing it down as near the bottom as possible so that the foundation of sphagnum moss does not show.

If sphagnum moss isn't readily available you can substitute clean sand for planting mosses that you collect from the woods. When planting native material like ferns, use good woods' soil or a mixture of one part sand and one part peat moss and one part loam. To the soil mixture add one level teaspoonful of 5-10-10 fertilizer to a 6 inch potful. Frequently, when soil is used alone, the plants may suffer from lack of oxygen. To correct this, place broken pieces of crockery, granulated charcoal, or gravel under the soil.

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Boy Scouts enjoyed a hiking trip on Saturday directed by Scoutmaster Winthrop Sanderson. The boys taking the hike were Jonathan Green, senior patrol leader, Alfred Young, Benjamin Archambo, Ronald Tie, Harry Gonyer, Roger Reed, Keith Hall, Robert Hanrahan and Robert McCollum, Jr. The boys left headquarters at 1:30 and went to Rodrick Parker's camp off the Warwick road and from there over the top of Notch mountain to the reservoir. They were back at the Scout house at 5 o'clock.

cult to construct in a terrarium. However it is easier to maintain if pure white sand is used to resemble a small stream, since excess water or stagnant water may shorten the life of the plants.

After planting the mosses, add small pieces of decayed wood with their beautiful lichens. Finally, insert larger plants such as partridgeberry, checkerberry, small seedling pines and ferns.

Buy shirts with collar lines to flatter your man, says Virginia Davis, Extension clothing specialist at the University of Massachusetts.

For instance, sharp-pointed collars with little spread will tend to lengthen both the appearance of the face and the figure. Reversely, the spread collars with short, rounded points will help fill out a thin face.

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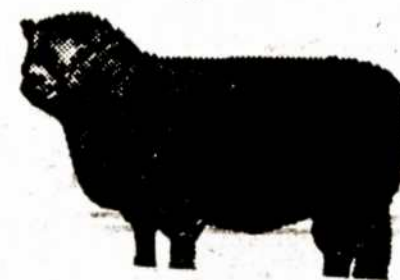
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## Early Christmas Mailing Urged

All post offices throughout the county are urging folks to mail their Christmas parcels and cards early. Check your Christmas card list to be sure all addresses are correct and complete. Christmas cards for out of town delivery should be in the mail by Dec. 10 and cards for local delivery at least a week before Christmas.

For the packages be sure you have heavy wrapping paper, strong card and paper adhesive tape to use on your gifts. To include a Christmas card or letter inside the gift package just add the appropriate first class mail postage to the postage for the package itself. This will insure the arrival of the gift and greeting at the same time.

Wrap your packages securely, address them correctly and mail them early. Only 17 more weekdays to Christmas.

## St. Patrick's Guild Bazaar Winners Named

The Christmas bazaar sponsored by St. Patrick's Guild at the Alexander hall on Saturday was a success. The weather was bad but a good number attended and the proceeds amounted to \$241.50. The prizes were awarded as follows:

Mrs. Hazel Powers, basket of groceries; Mrs. Ray Thompson, fruit cake; Mrs. Mary Burns of Turners Falls, ham; Miss Mary O'Brien, Millers Falls, ham; Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau, lace tablecloth; Mrs. Agnes Holden, Hinsdale, hand-made silver ring; Mrs. John Calahan, lunch box; Mrs. Frank Rockwell, birdcage planter; Mrs. Kay Lucier, thermos bottle.

## Mrs. M. J. Kavanaugh Has 82nd Birthday

Mrs. Mary Jane Kavanaugh, formerly of Millers Falls, who now makes her home at the Bronson Nursing home, observed her 82nd birthday Sunday. Among guests calling on her were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chapleau, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends. She received gifts and a birthday cake.

## Legionnaires Plan Christmas Party

The American Legion and the Auxiliary will have a joint Christmas party including the families of members on Wednesday evening, Dec. 18, at the town hall. There will be a pot luck supper followed by an exchange of gifts—each one attending to bring a gift.

## Bistrecks Honored At Surprise Party

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bistrek observed their 18th wedding anniversary on Saturday and Sunday evening and were surprised by friends at an anniversary party. They received many cards, a gift of money, a carnation centerpiece, anniversary cake and all were served a buffet lunch by the friends who were Mr. and Mrs. George Butinski, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Parenteau, Mr. and Mrs. William Forrest, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wickey, Mr. and Mrs. James Callaghan, Miss Helen Podlenski, Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Caron, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Powers and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vielmetti. Mrs. Bistrek's father, Arthur Corbiere, and her sister, Mrs. Lewis Crossman, and Mr. Crossman of Turners Falls were also guests.

## Historical Society Holds Elections

Ninety colored slides from Jackson Homestead, the Community Museum of Newton, Massachusetts, were shown at the annual meeting of the Northfield Historical Society at the home of Miss Amy Hamilton Tuesday evening. They illustrated the address of Mr. Fred C. Alexander on Historic Houses of Newton. He heads up this Newton project as well as being a member of the Northfield Historical Society in recognition of his local ancestors. The officers elected for the year are as follows:

President, Miss Elsie Scott; vice president, Mrs. Willis Parker; secretary, Miss Mabel Shields; treasurer, Mr. Hubert Eastman; curator, Mr. Horace Field; assistant curator, Mrs. Priscilla Carroll; auditor, Mr. George Carr.

The following members are a committee for Museum work: Mr. Fred Alexander, Mr. Leon Dunnell, Mr. John Hammond, Mrs. Evelyn Parker, Miss Della White.

Mrs. Percy Goodspeed has given the Museum some valuable papers and photographs. Mrs. Maud Wood has given some old deeds with interesting signatures. The Museum is closed in cold weather.

## WCTU Members Hold Luncheon-Meeting

Women's Christian Temperance Union members numbering ten enjoyed a delicious luncheon Wednesday afternoon served by the hostess, Mrs. Constantine George. They were Rev. and Mrs. Arthur J. Green, Mrs. Gertrude Whitney, Mrs. Grace Cornell, Mrs. Lula Carey, Mrs. Bessie Symonds, Mrs. Bertha Lazelle, Mrs. Homer Browning, Sr., Miss June Browning and Mrs. George serving. Mrs. Philip Porter and her sister, Miss Marian Stoneback, arrived later for the business meeting. Mrs. Symonds was welcomed as she will observe her 96th birthday on Dec. 6.

Mrs. Arthur J. Green, president, conducted the business meeting. Mrs. Grace Cornell led devotions and Rev. Green offered prayer. The following officers were elected: president, Miss June Browning; vice president, Miss Marian Stoneback; secretary, Mrs. Gertrude C. Whitney; acting treasurer, Rev. Arthur J. Green; chaplain, Mrs. Grace Cornell; program committee, Mrs. Constantine George, Mrs. Arthur Green, Mrs. Lula Carey; literature committee, Rev. Green, Mrs. Grace Cornell; transportation committee, Rev. Green; publicity, Mrs. Gertrude Whitney.

The next meeting will be held on Jan. 22 at the home of Mrs. Homer Browning unless plans are changed.

## Public Health Nurse Makes Report On Town

The report of Mrs. Marian Billings, public health nurse, for the month of November, shows 62 calls for non-communicable diseases; 3 tuberculosis, 4 anti-partum, 1 new born, several preschool and 44 adults. Seventeen children were checked at school.

All the children who were absent at the September examinations were examined by Dr. F. Wilton Dean, school physician.

The Red Cross bloodmobile visited Northfield and 107 donors were registered with 97 contributing blood. There were 10 rejections.

Mrs. Billings and Mrs. James Goodwin recently attended a training program at Leeds which qualified them to instruct personnel who will operate first aid stations in the event of an emergency or disaster. Classes will begin soon after Jan. 1.

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## Trinitarian P.F. Plans Yule Dance

The Pilgrim Fellowship of the Trinitarian Congregational church met Sunday evening with 45 present. Devotions were led by Diane Leach. It was reported that the group made \$9 on the roller skating party last Friday evening. Plans were discussed for the Christmas dance to be held on Dec. 27 and various committees were chosen. The theme for the affair will be "Evening in Paris." Next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the members of the decorating committee and the chairmen of the other committees will meet at Judy Holbrook's home. David Scott was the guest speaker and he spoke on "Navy Training in Hawaii." Next Sunday evening Rev. Joseph Reeves will lead a discussion on "Keeping Christ in Christmas."

Shirley Kelley, Sec.

## The Greenfield YMCA To Present College Gymnasts

Widespread interest is indicated to the announcement of the Greenfield Community Y.M.C.A. that it will present the Springfield college exhibition team's physical panorama, "Golden Jubilee of Gymnastics" on Friday, Dec. 6, in the "Y" gym at 8 o'clock.

The exhibition is chock full of comedy and surprises. It has feats on gymnastic apparatus that give a thrill of a lifetime, but a few moments later you will relax and enjoy dance routines which display rhythmic ease and grace.

This "physical Panorama" is not a standard gymnastic routine, but rather a variety of gymnastic performances designed to thrill and entertain. The parallel bars, rings, tumbling feats, long horse leaping, precision drills, intricate team dances all are on the exhibition team list.

Tickets will be available at the door—adults \$1, and students 50 cents.

## Extension Service To Hold Open House

The Franklin County Extension Service open house is being held at the North parish hall in Greenfield on Friday afternoon and evening from 2 to 9:30 p.m. The three main topics on the program are: 2:30, "Food for Thought" by Moiss Elsie Erhardt of the Western Massachusetts Electric Co.; 3:45, "The Family Library," by Miss Gwenn Vannah and Miss Cornelia Church of the state regional library center; 7:45, "The Family at Christmas" by John Burroughs, human relations specialist, U. M. There will be exhibits of Christmas cards, decorations and "goodies" and everyone is invited.

## Good Neighbors Hold Yule Party

Forty-three members and friends of the Good Neighbors of the Advent Christian church at South Vernon enjoyed a Christmas party on Monday evening.

A Christmas program arranged by Mrs. Sarah Finch, Mrs. Evelyn Murray and Mrs. Flora Bosworth opened with carol singing. Mrs. Mattie Parmiter read a Christmas poem and all took a gift from a decorated tree as their names were called.

Refreshments were served at "birthday" tables following a candlelighting ceremony and the donations of money for charity.

## Christmas Greetings To Be Sent By Civic Council To Servicemen

### Northfield PTA To Hear Program Of Christmas Music

The December meeting of the Northfield Parent Teacher association will be held Wednesday of next week, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. at the Alexander hall. A particularly fine program of music has been planned.

The Mount Hermon triple quartette will sing under the direction of Albert Raymond and accompanied at the piano by Carlton L'Hommiedieu. A Christmas story in music will be presented by an ensemble of pupils from the public schools directed by Eugene Gancarz, instructor in instrumental music. There will be carol singing accompanied by Mr. Gancarz's group.

The program should bring out a good attendance of member who should note the date of Wednesday instead of the usual Monday evening.

## "Kitchen Secrets" Is Now on Sale

The Northfield Grange has had published a very attractive cook book entitled "Kitchen Secrets of Northfield Grange Members and Friends." It is now on sale by members at \$1 each. It contains a large number of recipes recommended by local cooks and also the advertisements of many area businessmen who have assisted to make the publication of the book a financial success.

## Unitarians Sponsor Public Card Party

Saturday evening, Dec. 7, the Unitarian church society of Bernardston will sponsor a public card party at the Bernardston town hall at 8 o'clock.

## Baked Beans, Hash Featured At Grange

The Guiding Star Grange will serve a baked bean and hash supper on Saturday evening, Dec. 7, at 6:30 at the Grange hall at the corner of Cleveland and Chapman streets in Greenfield. It will be followed by a card party.

## Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sliwa have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joyce Alyce, to Edward L. Makowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antoni Makowski of Porter avenue, South Deerfield. Miss Sliwa attended Northfield schools and is employed at the Turners Falls branch of the First National Bank and Trust company. Makowski attended Deerfield schools and Northampton Commercial college and is employed at the First National Bank and Trust company in Greenfield. No date has been set for the wedding.

## Former 4H Agent Married in Conn.

Miss Joyce M. Mount of Deerfield, former assistant 4-H club agent in this county, was married to Clifford A. Zilch of Ashland at the Sacred Heart church in Bloomfield, Conn. She resigned from the county position on Nov. 1 and had been honored at several 4-H events previous to leaving the position here.

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At the meeting of the Civic Council Wednesday evening there was a discussion and plans were made for the annual Christmas message sent to the men and women in the service. A Christmas card, the November news letter which will include December events and pictures of the Pioneer Valley Regional School clipped from a local newspaper will be sent as a Christmas remembrance.

F. Sumner Turner spoke about the problems and progress at the Pioneer Valley Regional School and announced the official open house for December 8, afternoon and evening. It was announced that the Girl Scouts will decorate the war memorial on the school grounds and the V.F.W. will place a wreath in front of the flagpole at the Town Hall. It was suggested that all be urged to decorate their homes for Christmas in an all-out effort to make our town more beautiful. The possible raise in the 1958 tax rate was discussed. The next meeting will be held January 29 when an election of officers will be held.

## Fortnightly Wants Gifts For Leads

The Fortnightly is collecting gifts for the veterans at the Leeds hospital. Anyone willing to contribute a gift may leave it with Mrs. William Hawley of East Northfield, who is chairman of the club's community service committee, or they may be brought to the Fortnightly meeting Friday evening at the Northfield hotel. Suitable gift would be candy bars, cigars, neckties, sweaters, slippers, belts, gloves, knit and sports caps, T-shirts or money for coupon books with which the patients may make selections themselves at the canteen.

Miss Eunice Harriet Avery, news analyst, will speak on "Morocco and Libya, in Kodachrome" with the sub-title, "Oldest and Newest on the North African Coast." Miss Florence Colby will furnish piano music. It is to be guest night with each member inviting a guest.

## Artist To Speak To Garden Club

Mrs. Blake Prescott of East Longmeadow, a past president of the Springfield Garden club and an artist, will be the guest speaker at the local Garden club meeting on Monday evening, Dec. 9, at the Alexander hall. It is a "guest" night and each member may bring a guest. Her subject will be "Indoor Decorations" and she will show decorations which she will bring, many from material from her own back yard and home.

Members are asked to bring packages of non-perishable food for a Christmas basket and also children's games and mittens, sizes 1 to 13 years.

## Lanphears Observe 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lanphear of 41 Highland avenue celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday. They were married Dec. 1, 1917 in Cabot, Vt.

Sunday they were guests for dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holloway and at a surprise open house at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Slater of Highland avenue. They were greeted by relatives and friends and received a purse of money, flowers and messages.

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## CHURCH NOTES

### TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. JOSEPH W. REEVES, Minister

Mrs. F. H. MOSSE, Director of Christian Education

IRVING J. LAWRENCE, Choir Director

Mrs. BELLE C. MARDEN, Organist

9:45 a.m., church school.

11 a.m., Public Worship. Second Sunday in Advent. Second in an Advent series of sermons on "God and the Prophets and Jesus." Subject: "The God of Hosea."

Preschool age children attended the entire hour by Mrs. Edwin Finch. Beginning with the second hymn, children of grades 1-4 supervised by students from the Northfield School for Girls.

6:30 p.m., Pilgrim Fellowship of Young People meeting in the vestry. Tom Shearer will lead devotions. Mr. Reeves will speak on "Keeping Christ in Christmas."

7:45 p.m., senior choir rehearsal in preparation for Christmas vespers.

The 20-40 Couples club will hold a Christmas party in the vestry Monday evening. Supper will be served at 7 o'clock by Mr. and Mrs. Donald McColester, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bordner, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Julian Barber. There will be Myron Dunnell, Jr., and Mr. and an exchange of inexpensive presents. Round and square dancing. Clinton Weymouth will be the caller.

All women of the parish are invited to attend the Guild meeting in the vestry on Thursday at 7:45 p.m. Mrs. Donald Howes of Ashfield will entertain with "Christmas Readings."

A vesper service of Christmas music and Bible reading will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 5 o'clock.

### NORTHFIELD UNITARIAN CHURCH

Mrs. L. P. GOODSPEED, Organist and Choir Director

RAY A. KNAPP, Church School Superintendent

Sunday, 9:45, worship service.

Guest speaker, Rev. Benjamin Carr, assistant chaplain at Mount Hermon school.

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Federation will meet Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. Rev. Benjamin Carr of Mount Hermon will speak on "Dating" and a discussion will follow.

Supper will be served by the Northfield group and a worship service will be held at 7 o'clock. 9:45, church school for all ages. Thursday, 2:30 p.m., Afternoon Alliance Christmas party.

### ST. PATRICK'S Catholic

Rev. HENRY McKEON, Pastor

Rev. ANTHONY RZASA, Curate

9:45, Sunday school.

10:30, Sunday morning mass.

2-5 p.m., Sunday, Christmas party for all the children of St. Patrick's parish, sponsored by the St. Patrick's Guild and the Holy Name society.

### NORTHFIELD BAPTIST

Rev. PAUL L. BUBAR, Pastor

SAMUEL A. BISHOP, Organist

Mrs. RICHARD NEIPP, Assistant Organist

Mrs. RALPH PERRY, Pianist

Dec. 7, church teenagers will attend a giant roller rally at the roller skating rink in Brattleboro. The young people from the West the Calvary Baptist church of Claremont, N. H., will take part Brattleboro Baptist church and in the rally.

Sunday, 8:15 a. m., worship. WHAI.

10 a.m.—Sunday school, Mrs. William Messer, superintendent.

11 a.m.—Morning worship with sermon.

Nursery and junior church at same hour.

6:30 p.m.—Young People.

7, pre-evening service prayer.

7:30, evening evangelistic hour

Tuesday, 7 p.m., Bible study.

Thursday evening, "Hour of Power" at 7:30.

### COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. RICHARD GRIFFIN, Pastor

MISS HAZEL JOY MARCY, Organist

LAURENCE MARCY, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday, 10:30-11:30, a.m., Sunday school.

11:30-12:30 p.m., worship service.

6:15 p.m., Young Peoples.

7:30, Evening service.

Monday, 7:30 p.m., cottage prayer meeting.

Friday, 3:30, Sing and Bring club.

Friday, 7:30 p.m., prayer and Bible study.

Saturday, 10:05-10:30 a.m., Sing and Bring club on WHAI.

### ADVENT CHRISTIAN SOUTH VERNON

Rev. EVERETT MOORE, Pastor

10:30 a.m.—Morning Worship.

Bible Sunday, subject, "The Many Tongues of God."

10:30 a.m.—Junior Worship.

11:45—Sunday School.

## CROSSTOWN

By Roland Coe



"I'm not sure whether I like boys or not, although Jimmy Smith is nice on Saturdays when he gets his allowance."

## Dickinson Library Notes

Mrs. Florence Phelps, Librarian

For the next few weeks, we will have in the reading room an exhibit of hand weaving by Mrs. Considine George. Mrs. George, well known in this vicinity for her beautiful hand work, will show some of her prize winning pieces shown at the Thirty-Fourth Annual International Women's Exposition in New York City. She received two first prizes and an especial award.

There will be samples of her hand spun wool and materials made from this wool, and also some made from the regular wool. Be sure to see them when you visit the library.

Mrs. Gertrude Whitney's landscapes of Northfield have been on exhibit for the past three weeks and have received many favorable comments.

Our thanks go to all the local artists and hobbyists who have so generously given their time to set up exhibits at our library. I feel that it tends to create a point of interest beyond the field of books for those visiting the library.

The librarians also were busy in November. Eighty-one books were processed and placed in circulation. Sixty of these were new adult and juvenile books and 21 were gifts.

James, Joanne and Nancy Smolen, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smolen, have given the book, "How the Grinch stole Christmas," by Dr. Seuss.

There are 20 new children's books now ready for circulation. They are: All for a Ghost, by Avery; Buck's Friends, by Reichert; Freddy and the Flying Saucer, by Brooks; The Horse on the Hill, by Oakley; Zorra, by Franklin; Archie Angel by Austin; Over in the Meadow, by Langstaff; Exploring by Satellite, by Branley; Anatole and the Cat, by Titus; Wonder Book of Trains, by Carlisle; Space Satellite, by Beeland and Wells; All about the Arctic and the Antarctic, by Sperry; Earth Satellite, by Lewellen; Afraid to Ride, by Anderson; America's Abraham Lincoln, by McNerr; Black Gold, by Henry; The Year without Santa Claus, by McGinley; Ding Dong Bell, by Hader; Who Lives in This House? by Blough.

Both the upper and lower halls have recently been given a new coat of paint.

6:30—Loyal Workers.  
7:30—Evening service.  
A Bible Sunday film will be shown.

The State Line Fellowship meeting is postponed until Dec. 16.

Tuesday, 7:45, quarterly business meeting.

Thursday, 7:45 p.m., prayer meeting.

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## Christmas Gift . . .

Elizabeth Ann Hoskins in the Lakeville (Conn.) Journal

Since we spent all last week and some ten thousand words on the subject of Christmas presents, we are rather steeped in the subject and our eye, running over the Sunday papers, was drawn to anything which advertised itself as a gift. An amusing Sunday sport is making conjectures about who buys all these things, who dreamed them up in the first place, and who is going to eventually receive them with oohs and aahs on Christmas morning.

Take, for example, the "Personalized Denture Dish" which we discovered in last Sunday's Times. The illustration for this thoughtful gift showed it to be a plastic box with cover, much like an ordinary face powder box. On its surface was printed in handwriting script the following touching "poem":

"Take a look—and  
You will know  
How Harry's teeth  
Stay just so."

Simple, informative and to the point! Best of all was the little blurb below the picture: "The lucky recipient of this spacious, sanitary container will be so thrilled, he'll stow away his dentures at once. Really distinctive, it's hand-lettered with ANY name. Ideal for jewelry too, \$1.25."

Since reading this gem we have been haunted by a mental picture of Harry on Christmas. He has opened all the usual Christmas ties, monogrammed handkerchiefs, mufflers, wallets, etc., and at last he comes to a round package, tastily wrapped in gold foil and gar-

nished with holly. He opens it. It's the PERSONALIZED DENTURE DISH! With a spontaneous cry of appreciation, Harry whips out his teeth and lays them tenderly in the new container. His eyes moist with pleasure, he turns to his affectionate family: "Mehwvy Chwithmath, everybody!" "And I can use it for my jewels, too," carols Mrs. Harry, peeling off her diamonds and flinging them with abandon in the little box. A sound of cracking plastic is heard and the curtain rings down on "Harry's Christmas."

Seriously, who dreams up items like this? Who makes them and how are they marketed? Does some maker of "novelties" suddenly wake up in the middle of the night (when most brilliant ideas dawn) with the inspired conception of a Personalized Denture Box?

Then there is the 14K gold toothpick ("For the Man Who Has Everything") in its own leather case (also in the Times). For a slightly higher price this comes surmounted by a single initial . . . surely a thoughtful touch! And the ruffled tulie toilet seat cover (found in a gift catalog) which, surmounted by a big pink rose is advertised as "The Ballerina Covers . . . a charming conversation piece." Just think of all the stimulating talk you and your friends could have about that "ballerina cover!"

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## Social and Personal News Notes of the Northfield Area

### December Marks Many Special Anniversaries

The first December date of importance is the 101st birthday of Dr. Arthur J. Brown on Dec. 3. Sunday he took part in two unveiling ceremonies at New York's Hall of Fame. He says he was "born before germs."

Mrs. Loretta E. Black whose husband died a week before Thanksgiving wishes to express her gratitude to friends in these words: "I wish to thank all my relatives and friends for the beautiful floral tributes sent at the time of the death of our loved one. Also, all those who sent me money and food and many, many courtesies shown me. I wish to thank in a special way Raymond Gould for the wonderful farm assistance given Leland and I at the time of his illness and death; David Quinn and Rev. Joseph Reeves for the great comfort and guidance given me. To all our families and friends, I am deeply grateful."

Loretta E. Black and Children. The Northfield school committee has host to Union 18 school personnel. About 120 were served a roast beef dinner by cafeteria personnel with extra waitresses. Roy Fish was general chairman; A. B. True arranged the dinner; I. J. Lawrence headed the entertainment committee. Supt. F. Sumner Turner led the group singing after the banquet. Mr. and Mrs. Gancarz helped with the music and Wallace Green spoke on "Behind the Scenes in Television."

At the usual price of 25 cents the students were given a turkey luncheon before the Thanksgiving recess started at the Pioneer Valley school. The seniors had their photographs taken Tuesday by W. K. Vantine Studio, Boston.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, his sister and her husband and a nephew were guests at Mrs. W. R. Moody's from Wednesday to Saturday, also Stanton Yeager.

Linda Goodwin who underwent a serious brain operation in Hanover, has returned to the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Fred Flewelling.

Mrs. Ruth Bolton has returned from visiting Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ruggles in Franklin.

Miss Vera Vaughn is the new assistant manager of Vernon Home. Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Reeves had as their guests this week Mrs. Reeves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Muzzy, and her brother, Charles, and wife and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hanson are driving east from California. They stopped in Chicago to see his family, and expect to arrive here Monday night. They will visit her family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearlsall, before Hanson goes in the service.

Miss Barbara Clough has been visiting Mrs. A. H. Dorchester and her daughter in their new home across from the Moody birthplace. Miss Clough is at the Prospect Hill school in New Haven, which is situated near the Yale Divinity school.

Nov. 16, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bergh (Kay Moody) of Clanwilliam, South Africa, had a child, their third daughter. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Moody, expect to start home from their African visit about mid-December.

"What was all the traffic going north before dawn on Sunday?" may be answered this way, "Hunters." The New Hampshire deer season started Sunday and in Massachusetts on Monday. Dog-owners, beware!

Mrs. Eliza Symonds will celebrate her 96th birthday at the Valley Vista Dec. 6. Mrs. Durgin expects to recuperate at the home of her son, Rev. Lawrence Durgin, until the middle of this month.

Friends of Mrs. C. E. Washburn, mother of Mrs. Wynne Keever, will be sorry to hear that she has broken her wrist. Her address is "The Friends Home," Newtown, Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Braun of Medford spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Barnes, and her sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sojka.

Shirley Holloway (phone 889) has started a collection business and plans to come around to collect trash and garbage on Saturday.

Miss Linda Goodwin, fourteen-year-old granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Flewelling, plans to fly to Florida Wednesday with Mrs. Russell Roberts. Her parents had to go ahead while she was recovering from a brain operation.

Edward M. Powell, Western Massachusetts manager for the U. S. savings bond division of the treasury, left Sunday night for a series of meetings in Washington.

D. C. His district covers the area between Worcester and the New York state line.

The Northfield Civic Council met Wednesday evening in the town hall at 8 p.m. Plans for Christmas greetings for our servicemen were completed at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayberry have moved down to the Deming home on Highland avenue for the winter months.

The Friendly Service group of the Women's Guild had an all-day sewing meeting in the vestry on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friends brought sandwiches and tea and coffee were served.

Fred Kelley has been progressing so well since his operation in Boston that his family expects him home this week.

David Scott of the navy demonstrated the use of a life preserver and parachute in his talk to the Pilgrim Fellowship last Sunday.

Dec. 4 Fred C. Alexander illustrated his talk to the Northfield Historical society with 90 colored slides from Jackson Homestead, the Community Museum of Newton. The talk was about historic houses in Newton. He is a member of the Northfield society because of the ancestors he had who lived here. Officers elected for the year were: president, Miss Elsie Scott; vice president, Willis Parker; secretary, Miss Mabel Shields; treasurer, Hubert Eastman; curator, Horace Field; assistant curator, Mrs. Priscilla Carroll; auditor, George Carr. The following members are the museum work committee, Fred Alexander, Leon Durnell, John Hammond, Mrs. Evelyn Parker and Miss Della White.

Recent gifts are valuable papers and photos from Mrs. P. L. Goodspeed; old deeds with interesting signatures from Mrs. Maude Wood.

The Northfield Garden club will meet Monday evening, Dec. 9 when Mrs. Blake Prescott of East Longmeadow will speak on "Indoor Decorations Made with Local Material." She is a past president of the Springfield Garden club and is a well known artist. Instead of exchanging gifts, the members will bring 'Christmas' presents (non-perishable food children's games and mittens from 1-13 years) to be distributed by the town nurse. Members may bring guests.

Mrs. Constantine George entertained the W.C.T.U. at lunch.

A farewell party was given for Rev. and Mrs. Elvin Blackstone before they left for their new parish in Orlando, Fla.

Mrs. Charles Leach and her son gave a dinner party Thanksgiving for these guests, Miss Dena Pratt, Mrs. M. Harriman, Mrs. J. Field, Mrs. Z. Whitaker and Miss Sadie Jardine.

Leighton Lane, who formerly worked here, was married to Miss Charity E. Curtis in West Brattleboro last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Black and Mr. and Mrs. Julian Black attended the wedding. Rev. Everett Moore entertained the family party of the O.E.S. with his slides of his trip west.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Green went to Townsend, Vermont, for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. A. E. Davis and Mrs. Emory Rikert representing the local American Legion auxiliary, went to Northampton Tuesday to wrap Christmas gifts for the families of veterans.

The Northfield Grange will meet Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, for a neighbors' night meeting. Members of Cheshire County Grange of Keene, N. H., Protective Grange of Brattleboro, Vt., Wantastiquet Grange of Hinsdale, N. H., and Vernon, Vt., Granges will be guests.

## Through a Kitchen Window

In troubled times and times of stress the ever increasing need is to get away for a short time, physically or mentally, to acquire "orchids for the soul."

Last week we were transported to a beautiful world, half real, half fantasy, via an art exhibit of motifs—aquarelles by Baron Ernst von Maydell whose paintings are inspired by the writings of Hans Christian Andersen. Under the sponsorship of Springfield Garden club and the Springfield Museum of Natural History this delightful exhibit of original water colors continues through December 14 at the museum. There is still time to see and enjoy this extraordinary treat.

In addition to the paintings, going hand in hand, is a remarkable selection of Hans Christian Andersen memorabilia from the vast personal collection of Bryman Ridges of New York and Italy, who is in attendance at the exhibit each day to enlighten and delight visitors.

Show cases in the center of the room are filled with interesting items: translations of Andersen's works in many languages including the first edition in 1829 to the latest of 1955, paper cut-outs, lithographs, letters, pictures, a walking cane, and crystal goblets once used by Jenny Lind. Many of these items are rare and a goodly number of them will be presented to the City Museum of Odense, Denmark, through the courtesy of Mr. Ridges. A magnificent addition to his collection, recently acquired by Mr. Ridges through a chance meeting with two Danish students in Venice, is a bronze bust of Hans Christian Andersen created by the English sculptor, Joseph Durham, in 1847.

Several years ago we enjoyed a visit to the little village on the island of Fyn, Denmark, where my mother and grandmother were born, not far from Andersen's birthplace in Odense. Having heard a great deal about the author of fairy tale fame from my mother, it was a treat for us to visit his home, now a museum which contains a large and fascinating collection of mementos. This exhibit in Springfield seemed to us like an extension of the Hans Christian Andersen museum in Odense.

The enthusiastic Bryman Ridges is a close friend of the artist Baron Ernest von Maydell whose first exhibition was arranged by Henry Ford in 1930. Born in 1886 of titled parents Baron Maydell fled in 1920 from his native Esthonia to the Bavarian Alps where he and his wife lived in a small mountain hut. He might never have developed this creative art if he had not been a refugee, penniless, discouraged and disheartened. He turned to a childhood love of drawing flowers and insects, and from this small earnest beginning he has developed the unusual art expression which is his.

His first works were on brown wrapping paper, using for colors spinach water, iodine weed and ordinary bluing. A charming early effort belonging to Mr. Ridges is included among the pictures on view and we understand a tapestry of this particular design is soon to be made.

Baron Maydell's water colors have an immediate appeal for anyone interested in nature and art. In exquisite detail they depict the little marvels of everyday life that for the most part go unseen. Familiar flowers, vegetables, grains and grasses, and the tiny insects, frogs, mice and fish one might meet if one's eyes were trained to really see, are all lovingly and whimsically drawn from life.

In each aquarelle there is a delicacy of technique, harmonious coloring and meticulous draftsmanship coupled with imaginative humor. We moved slowly from picture to picture, amused and delighted, and found each one equally interesting and captivating.

The catalogue lists 39 of these

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remarkable vignettes. Titles were fascinating such as: *For Frogs Only*, *Portrait of the Petunia Family* and *The Queen Rides By*. On the *Sunny Side* pictures small insects on the face of a sunflower. *The Vegetarian* is a white mouse washing its face atop a long white carrot-shaped beet. In tones of beige, orange and brown, a little brown mouse is *Hiding from the Wind* under a bit of driftwood. Maple keys, a skeletonized leaf and a branch of a beech tree form an interesting composition and design. *Landing* was most amusing. A dragonfly carrying a peeper on its back is coming in for a landing on a head of lettuce with the help of a praying mantid signalling with a red flower petal, while a grasshopper, caterpillar and two red ladybugs watch from the leaf edge. *A Bluebird Passed By*—a lovely simple theme, a bluebird's feather is caught in the bending heads of ripened oats. A grasshopper, dragonfly and mayfly added decorative notes to the picture. Visitors to the exhibit were enhanced and went away with happy smiles on their faces.

In each one of Baron Maydell's paintings there is a kinship with nature, and the flight of imagination taken by the artist with a fresh new viewpoint is perfectly delightful, and delightfully delineated. These are aquarelles of distinction by an artist who takes his inspiration from the fabulist Hans Christian Andersen.

We enrich our lives as we invest in beauty. You will find a visit to this exhibit to be most rewarding.


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The Daughters of the American Revolution will meet on Monday, Dec. 9, at 2 p.m. at the home of the regent, Mrs. Robert L. Wood. Mrs. Wood will be in charge of the program, "Things."

Bearers at the funeral of Charles C. Strange which was held on Friday, Nov. 30, were nephews, Charlie Lamson of Huntington, Forrest Carey, Richard Carey, Robert Carey, Donald Strange and William Strange. Burial was at the West Northfield cemetery.

The committee in charge of the Christmas party for all the children of St. Patrick's parish which will be held Sunday, Dec. 8, from 2 to 5 p.m. is Mrs. Joseph Bilmon, chairman, Mrs. Joseph Mankowski, Miss Lucille Kelley, Miss Esther Ladzinski and Miss Mary Ann Wozniak. Mrs. Margulrite Forrest and Mrs. Gladys Bistrek will assist with the carol singing.

Fatty Floorborder, our peddle-run driver, says: "That new booklet on highway etiquette is real Emily Post stuff. When you come to a cross road it tells you which fork to use."



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**Pioneer Valley Regional School**

By Gloria Clough, Junior

Sunday, Dec. 8, Pioneer Valley regional will be open to the public. Even though the building has looked very nice so far the janitors are giving extra attention to its appearance. Floor waxing and washing are under way. All rooms will be finished, and anyone interested may go through the entire building. We are sure you will enjoy seeing everything and inspecting students' work displayed on the bulletin boards.

The music room which is located behind the stage was opened for use last Tuesday. All music classes are being conducted there.

Mr. Leonard has announced that the gymnasium will be ready for use this afternoon. The floor of the gym has been finished and the baskets hung. Both coaches and the students will be glad to be able to use the gym at last. The first game is scheduled for next Tuesday with Frontier regional school of Deerfield.

Following is the Pioneer Valley Valley basketball schedule:

The first game is scheduled for next Tuesday with Frontier regional school from Deerfield.

Dec. 10: Frontier at Pioneer.  
Dec. 17: Pioneer at St. Michael's (Brattleboro).

Dec. 20: Williamsburg at Pioneer.

Dec. 27: Pioneer at Brattleboro.

Jan. 3: Thayer at Pioneer.

Jan. 7: Pioneer at Mahar.

Jan. 10: Pioneer at Hinsdale.

Jan. 14: Smith Academy at Pioneer.

Jan. 21: Pioneer at Smith Academy.

Jan. 24: Pioneer at Williamsburg.

Jan. 28: Arms Academy at Pioneer.

Feb. 4: Pioneer at Frontier.

Feb. 7: Hinsdale at Pioneer.

Feb. 11: Pioneer at Arms.

Feb. 14: Mahar at Pioneer.

Feb. 21: St. Michael's at Pioneer.

All night games of J.V. start at 6:45; Varsity start at 8. Afternoon games: J. V., 3:15; Varsity, 4:30.

Members of the Junior Varsity team are: Ray Barnes, Robert Barnes, Norman Deane, Douglas Flemming, Ray Glabach, Bill Marcy, Bennet Nicholson, Lenny Petrin, Bill Pratt, Donn Proven, Roger Raymond, Edward Shearer, Pohn Stacy, Richard Stowell, Jim Thurber, David Walker, Ed Witheral.

Members of Varsity basketball squad are: Russell Bardwell, Mike Gibson, Lee Kemp, Richard Leach, Jerry Lessard, Richard Ross, Brit Seager, Tom Shearer, Lewis Starkey, David Streeter, John Thayer.

Monday, Dec. 2, 42 students stayed out of school to go hunting. The following were fortunate to shoot a deer: David Gibson, Chester Kugler, Roger Raymond, Bernard Fowler, Billy Pratt, Ernest Rodgers and Wendell Barton.

It is expected that report cards will be given out this week. The report cards for the junior and senior high school are somewhat different. On the front of the junior high cards there is the school seal and the names of the three towns. Also, on the front is an explanation of the aim of the report. On the inside of the card is a definition of the various marks. A list of the subjects being taken, with places for marking in such things as cooperation and conduct also appears inside. On the back of the card is a space for teachers' and parents' comments and the student's prospect of promotion. The senior high card is much the same except that on the inside the number of credits which each student has earned is listed. Two copies of each card are made out. One is kept for the school's records and the others are sent home to the parents. The following people worked on the cards: Miss Lawley, Mr. Upham and Mr. Leonard.

Next week we expect to publish the honor roll. The senior class had a brief class meeting last week to get suggestions for senior class activities. Some of the suggestions made were, a play, supper, rummage sale, public dance, auction and a food sale. The class decided that it would conduct the concession stand at the home basketball games, selling popcorn and candy for an income. The seniors have not reached a final decision on the type of play they want as yet. Moss Lawley will direct the play.

A civil service exam, qualifying seniors for a position in the state department after graduation was given at the high school of commerce, State street, Springfield, Saturday, Nov. 23, at 9 a.m. Many senior girls filled out application blanks but Nancy Coates was the only girl who took the test. Testing time was 1½ hours consisting of tests on spelling, arithmetic, word knowledge, filing and following directions.

We are glad to welcome Andrew Stevens to our school as a member of the seventh grade and Joseph Manzer as a member of the sophomore class. They came from Shelburne Falls road, Conway, where they attended Frontier regional high school. They are now living in West Northfield.

Twenty-nine girls tried out as cheerleaders yesterday afternoon. Nine members of the faculty acted as judges. Two groups with a total of fourteen girls tried out as varsity cheerleaders. Ten of these girls were selected. They were Elinor Powers, Peggy Streeter, Marsha Billings, Diane Coutu, Judy Berthiaume, Judie Rice, Diane Leach, Lois Heselon, Marilyn Porter and Stephanie Horton. lar cheerleaders and two will be substitutes. All ten girls will cheer at home games and only eight will travel to away games.

Fifteen seventh and eighth grade girls tried out as junior varsity cheerleaders. Seven girls were selected. They were Joan Streeter, Gail Leonard, April Glabach, Carol Atwood, Julie Foster, Ruth Wood and Gail Whitney.

The tryouts marked the first event to take place on the stage

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**OBITUARIES**

**Mrs. William Kasandi**

Mrs. Elizabeth Kasandi, 74, of Place terrace, Greenfield, a resident of Northfield for 32 years, died at the Franklin county public hospital on November 29. She was born in Austria-Hungary, in September, 1883, the daughter of Stephen and Barbara (Csewesar) Moldvay. She had lived in Greenfield for 10 years since the death of her husband in 1946. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Felski; two sons, John and Joseph of Sioux Falls, S. D.; a sister, Mrs. Rose Imre of Yonkers, N. Y.; a brother, Stephen Moldvay of Niles, O., and two brothers and a sister in Hungary. Visiting hours were held Tuesday afternoon and evening. High mass was held Wednesday at 9 a.m. at the Holy Trinity church in Greenfield. Burial was in the Calvary cemetery in Greenfield.

of the auditorium.

Another student at Pioneer Valley met with an accident last week. On the Sunday before Thanksgiving, Wayne Fisher, one of our boys in the freshman class, was accidentally injured while sawing wood for the furnace at his home. His shirt caught on a slab and he was pulled into the saw, amputating the little finger and three knuckles of his right hand. He was taken to Franklin County hospital where 32 stitches were taken in his hand. He stayed at the hospital for four days but is back at school now.

**William James Root**

William James Roots of the Millers Falls road died on Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Northampton state hospital. He was 90 years of age. Born in Kent, England, he was a former resident of Fitchburg, coming to Northfield 13 years ago. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Robert P. Barnes; four grandchildren, Robert, William, Mary Ellen and David Barnes, and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Beth Elden Baptist church, West Fitchburg, with Rev. Paul Bubar of the Northfield Baptist church officiating.

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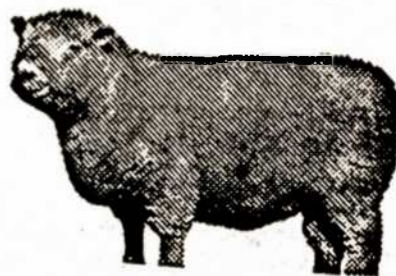
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